

Docket No.: 065933-0065



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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
Yukihiro NOGUCHI, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 8354
Application No.: 10/754,926	:	Group Art Unit: 2819
Filed: January 12, 2004	:	Examiner: TRAN, ANH Q
For: LEVEL CONVERSION CIRCUIT	:	

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Sir:

In the Office Action dated May 2, 2005, the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121, requiring election of one of the following identified species:

- Species I. Fig. 5;
- Species II. Fig. 10;
- Species III. Figs. 11 & 16
- Species IV. Figs. 17 & 22
- Species V. Figs. 23-26
- Species VI. Figs. 27-34
- Species VII. Fig. 35
- Species VIII. Fig. 36
- Species IX. Fig. 37
- Species X. Fig. 38
- Species XI. Fig. 39

Species XII. Fig. 40

Species XIII. Fig. 41

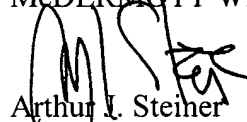
Species XIV. Fig. 42

In response, Applicants elect to prosecute Species I, directed to the Fig. 5 embodiment. In further response, Applicants list claims 1 through 7, 18, 19, and 32 through 34 as readable on elected Species I. Favorable consideration of claims 1 through 7, 18, 19, and 32 through 34 is solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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